PROPOSITION 202 I-13-2006; ARIZONA MINIMUM WAGE ACT

ANALYSIS BY LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Based on the federal law, the current minimum wage in Arizona is \$5.15 per hour.

Proposition 202 would establish a state minimum wage law and raise the minimum wage to \$6.75 per hour beginning January 1, 2007. The state minimum wage would be increased each January 1 for changes in the cost of living.

The new state minimum wage law would apply to all employers except:

- 1. Any person who is employed by a parent or a sibling.
- 2. A person who is employed performing babysitting services in the employer's home on a casual basis.
- 3. Employees who regularly receive tips and who are otherwise exempt under federal minimum wage law.
- 4. The State of Arizona government. But political subdivisions of this state would have to comply with the state minimum wage law.
 - 5. The United States government.
- 6. A business that has less than \$500,000 in gross annual revenue and that is exempt from having to pay a minimum wage under federal law.

Proposition 202 also contains employer notice and record keeping requirements and enforcement and civil penalty provisions. The Legislature, a county, a city or a town may enact a law providing for a higher minimum wage than established by this proposition.